

COLUMBUS, IN - Congressman Mike Pence met with nearly 500 constituents at Community Church of Columbus for a town hall meeting.

The *Columbus Republic* attended the town hall, and [reported](#) that

A crowd largely supportive of U.S. Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind., and his opposition to the health care reform bill in Congress attended the 6th District's representative's town hall meeting Thursday in Columbus.

Pence said the America's Affordable Health Choices Act would spend too much money on too few chronically uninsured Americans, which he estimated at 10 to 15 million of the 47 million who are working but uninsured, citing data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

He said the real crisis is insurance premiums rising at high rates for small businesses, making it difficult or impossible to provide health insurance to employees.

"I believe at the core of reform is letting the American people have the same choices that members of Congress have," Pence said.

Pictures from the event are available [HERE](#) :